(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) As given in statement attached.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Under the New Industrial Policy announced by the Government production of all types of telecom Equipment have been permitted in the private sector. The production of Telecom. Equipment has also been exempted from Industrial Licencing. A large number of private sector units are being set up as a result of the new Industrial Policy. Accordingly Department of Telecom does not propose to set up any new Industrial Public Sector Unit in Bihar or any other State at present. However, any State Government is free to set up any telecom production unit on it's own or jointly with private Sector.

STATEMENT

No. of Telephone Industries registered in the country-State-wise.

A.P.	12
Assam	1
Bihar	2
Gujarat	6
Haryana	11
H.P.	8
J & K	5
Karnataka	24
Kerala	6
M.P.	3
Maharashtra	18
Manipur	1
Orissa	4
Punjab	8
Rajasthan	7
Tamil Nadu	10
Uttar Pradesh	18
West Bengal	9
Delhi	6
Goa	3

[*English*]

Security arrangements at Airports

1949. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the security arrangements at the airports are lax and the security lapses are taking place unchecked/Unabated; and

(b) if so, the number of time security lapses have come to the notice during the last 6 months alongwith the details thereof and the action taken to tighten the security at the airports?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). There is constant endeavour to keep the airport security tight. Two incidents were detected in the last six months as follows:

(1) On 1.12.1991 an improvised explosive device was detected

on Air India Flight No. AI-III at IGI Airport.

(2) On 27.1.92 a round shaped object which turned out to be a small stone and thermocol wrapped in paper was found on Indian Airlines Flight No. IC-402 at Calcutta.

Following these incidents, security has been further tightened and fresh instructions issued to all concerned.

Aircrafts of Air India, Indian Airlines and Vayudoot grounded during January, 1992

1950. SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAUHAN:
SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI:
DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY:
SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of aircrafts of Air India, India Airlines and Vayudoot grounded as on January 31, 1992;

(b) the estimated loss to each of these airlines as a result thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to make these aircrafts operational?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The number of aircraft grounded as on 31.1.92 are as under.

(i)	Air India	Nil
(ii)	Indian Airlines	12
(iii)	Vayudoot	9

(b) As regards Indian Airlines the groundings were planned one for routine maintenance and have not affected scheduled operations and as such there is no financial loss. In case of Vayudoot, 5 out of the 9 aircraft were grounded for scheduled inspection/check, 2 due to non availability fo slots and shortage of Dart Engines with Indian Airlines and 2 for want of funds for spares and engines. It is difficult to quantify the notional loss of revenue suffered on this account.

(c) Out of 12 aircraft(s) belong to Indian Airlines, 8 have since been made serviceable and the remaining are also likely to be made serviceable within scheduled period of maintenance. In case of Vayudoot, out of 9 aircrafts, 5 have been made serviceable. Efforts are on to procure funds for spares and Engines for the 2 Dornier aircrafts and repair of two HS–748 is being expedited.

Postal Buildings and Staff Quarters in Orissa

1951. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAPHI. Will the Minister of COMMUNICAITONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sub–Post Offices functioning in Sambalpur (Orissa) Postal Division;

(b) the number out of them which are functioning in buildings having no basic amenities like water, electricity and toilent facilities;

(c) whether the Government have received any representation from the Indian Postal Employees Union (H.O. Bargarh) in this regard; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which a comprehensive plan is likely to be planned for construction of